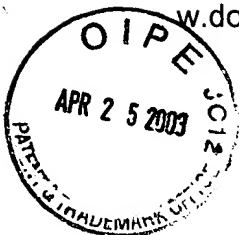


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RESPONSE

The Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Examiner:



This is in response to the Non-Final Office Action of November 27, 2002 having a period of response set to expire by February 27, 2003. It is timely filed 2 months extended. A first month and second month extension fee in the amount of \$260.00 is enclosed. Any deficiency is authorized to be charged to deposit account 06-2129 in the name of Gregory Friedlander. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

IN THE DRAWINGS

The specification has been amended to correct typographical / references to Figure 6c.

ELECTION

✓ Applicant confirms the election of claims 72-78, 80-101 and 104-118, is applied to tetravalent atoms with alkoxy functional groups and a catalyst added to solution prior to application to wood and wherein the catalyst is an acid.

IN THE CLAIMS

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